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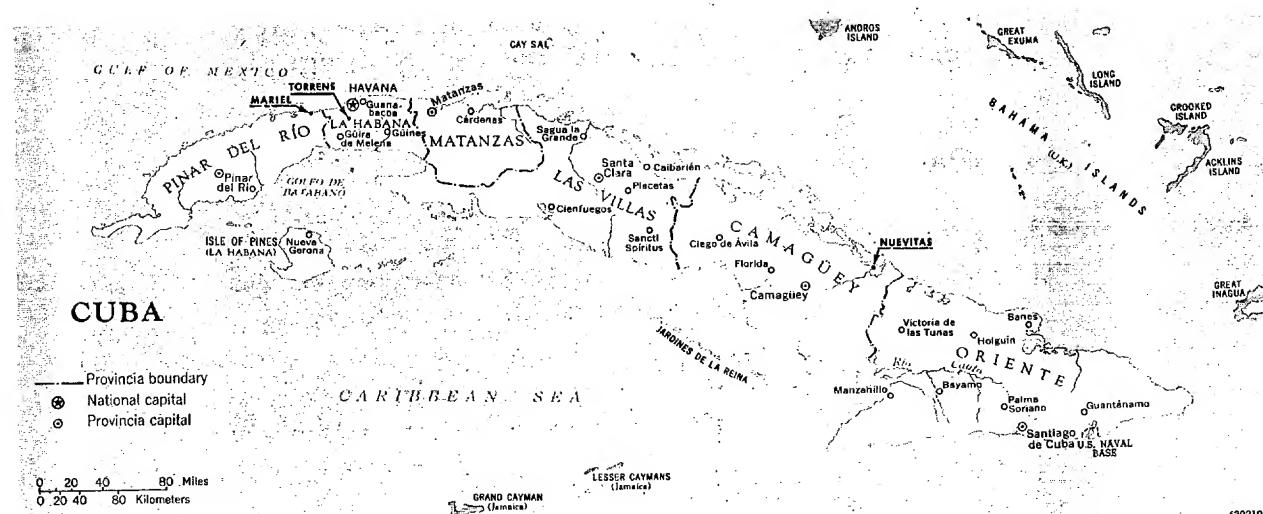
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### DAILY BRIEF

Cuba-USSR: The most recent probable Soviet military shipment to Cuba arrived at Mariel port

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evidence suggests that neither combat aircraft nor strategic missiles were part of the cargo.

More than 130 jeep-like vehicles, apparently were observed on the dock and in the port area

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two miles from the Soviet installation at Torrens, near Havana. Torrens is believed to be a major Soviet military headquarters area.

tends to confirm that a military delivery was, in fact, involved. The ship probably contained support items to maintain Soviet and Cuban forces.

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Iraq: The revolutionary regime controls Iraq and is moving rapidly to normalize the situation.

Little doubt remains that Qasim is dead. US officials in Baghdad are convinced that pictures of his body on Baghdad TV are authentic.

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The Arab countries have raced to recognize the revolutionary government. So far the UAR, Yemen, Jordan, Syria, Algeria, Morocco, Kuwait, and Saudi Arabia have extended recognition. Yugoslavia has also recognized the regime.

Moscow and Peiping have continued publicly to restrict themselves to factual reporting of Iraqi de-

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USSR - Communist China: Pravda's assertion that the Soviet leaders are ready for a meeting "at any level and at any time" with the Chinese is Moscow's latest maneuver to portray the USSR as the champion of bloc unity and to blame Peiping for continuing the Sino-Soviet conflict.

The 10 February article is a direct response to Peiping's 27 January People's Daily editorial which made Khrushchev's policy toward Yugoslavia the cardinal issue in the dispute. Pravda made it clear that Moscow will not abandon its policy of rapprochement with Tito, which Peiping insists is the precondition for restoring Communist unity.

After stating disingenuously that the Soviet leaders would like to believe that the People's Daily editorial does not reflect a "desire to continue the polemic," Pravda rejected Peiping's contention that Khrushchev's policy toward Yugoslavia is the basic source of the "difficulties that have arisen in the Communist world."

Moscow's continuing effort to project an image of restraint and patience was evident in Pravda's renewal of Khrushchev's call at the East German party congress last month for an end to polemics. It contended that "all necessary conditions exist" to resolve differences and bluntly rejected the People's Daily warning that the Communist movement is "on the brink of a precipice."

In a move to counter the People's Daily line that the party which "launched the first attack" should take the initiative in establishing "inter-party consultations," Pravda reaffirmed Moscow's interest

in a new international Communist meeting "if the fraternal parties deem it expedient." The article contended, however, that success of such a meeting requires "preparatory work" and indicated the Soviet leaders' willingness to meet with any party, "regardless of how substantial the differences between us may be."

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Venezuela: The US Embassy in Caracas cites two recent attacks on US business organizations as further evidence of a well-planned terror campaign concentrating on US firms. The campaign is intended to embarrass President Betancourt and to force him to suspend constitutional guarantees just before he visits the US on 19 February. The terrorists are believed to be members of the Communist Armed Forces of National Liberation. [redacted]

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